



Band's road to riches

■ REJECTS Eton Road are set to become the next Take That after judge Louis Walsh vowed to sign them up.

The lads were axed from The X Factor on Saturday. But James Edwards, 20, said: "If we could be as successful as Take That then we'd all be really pleased."

■ David Heath, 19, Daniel Morris, 17, and Anthony Hannah, 17, were also in high spirits after Louis' offer.

Anthony said: "We'd have gone out on a high anyway because we loved Saturday night's songs. But for Louis to make the comment was the icing on the cake."

■ Louis, 54, said on the show: "I am going to get these guys a recording deal. I believe in Eton Road 100%."

The boys, left, lost out after a sing-off against Ben Mills, 26.

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DIANA GETS X FACTOR

Winner lands star spot at memorial gig

THE X-FACTOR winner will get the royal seal of approval when asked to perform at Princess Diana's memorial concert.

Princes William and Harry – both massive fans of the hit ITV show – have asked for the winner to headline the star-studded bash being held in their mum's honour.

They hope 90,000 fans will attend the concert at the new Wembley Stadium on July 1 next year, which would have been her 46th birthday.

Test

A source said: "It looks like it will become the biggest test so far for the X Factor winner."

The Live Aid style charity fund-raising show will be hosted by William,



IN HER HONOUR: Diana

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Smiley Simon

NASTY Simon Cowell, 47, dropped the famous "Cowell scowl" when he was ambushed by a sexy blonde outside celeb London eatery Nobu.

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Posh is no legend

SKINNY Victoria Beckham has the worst legs in showbiz. The former Spice girl, 32, topped a poll of celebs with dodgy pins.

American star Nicole Richie, 25, was second followed by Big Brother's Jade Goody, 25, and Nikki Grahame, 24. Curvy

■ by MAZ PARTASIDES

Kelly Brook, 27, won the vote for sexiest legs with Kate Moss, 32, second, Beyoncé, 25, third and Cameron Diaz, 34, fourth.

More than 3,000 people took part in the poll for stocking makers Pretty Polly.

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BLAME: Designer Gaultier

Babes go wild for fur

■ by LISA MCCARTHY
FUR products are flying off the shelves in record numbers despite protests from campaigners.

Sales have hit £500million for the first time – a rise of 30% in two years.

And style gurus – including Jean-Paul Gaultier, 54 – are being blamed.

Gaultier and fellow designers Julien Macdonald, 34, John Galliano, 46, and Alexander McQueen, 37, have all staged catwalk shows with real fur.

Meanwhile, supermodels Kate Moss, 32, and Sophie Dahl, 27, have been photographed in fur.

Coats

And actress Keira Knightley, 21, TV babe Nicole Richie, 25, and Mick Jagger's daughter Jade, 35, have also been spotted wearing expensive fur coats and boots.

But fashion designer and animal rights campaigner Stella McCartney, 35, hit out last night.

She said: "There's nothing fashionable about a dead animal that has been cruelly killed just because some people think it looks cool to wear."

"The continuing use of fur is still a real problem in the fashion industry."

"There is an issue with people out there assuming that fur trim is fake when most of it is real."

RAIL built Phil Green has built a replica station in his back garden. Cabbie Phil, 57, of Cheltenham, Glos., spent £2,000 recreating the 60-year-old Great Western halt, with signals, lamps and old-fashioned luggage.

Lad dies on spike

A TEENAGER died after being spiked as he climbed over iron railings at a churchyard.

Steven Whale, 19, from High Wycombe, Bucks., was found in the early hours on the fence at the town's All Saints Parish Church, police spokeswoman said.

After being freed by fire crews, paramedics took Mr Whale to hospital where he later died, she said.

It is understood a spike severed an artery.

XMAS GETAWAY

A RECORD 2.5million Brits will travel abroad to celebrate Christmas, says a survey by Halifax Travel Insurance.

Hope fades as rescuers search for missing lad, 14

BOAT BOY SWEPT AWAY BY STORM



■ by NADINE LINGE

A 14-year-old boy was feared drowned last night after he and a pal took a rowing boat on a "joyride" as storms lashed Britain.

Rescuers, who think the boat was capsized by a huge wave, found one of the lads but Kyle Moore was still missing.

The boys called 999 from a mobile after realising they couldn't row back to safety late on Saturday night and were "laughing and joking" with coastguards on the shore.

But water flooded into the boat and a wave threw them into the sea as Portland Harbour, Dorset, was hit by gale-force eight winds.

The second boy, also 14, was spotted by a lifeboat crew uninjured at around 3am yesterday and taken back to shore – but there was no sign of keen footballer Kyle.

It's thought he ripped off his heavy blue Umbro jacket, which had become sodden with water, in a desperate bid to stay afloat.

Rough

The search was made harder for the 50-strong team as the torrential rain which covered much of Britain yesterday lashed the harbour.

A spokesman for the Maritime and Coastguard Agency said: "Two boys made a 999 call at about 2am saying they had pinched a boat, were out in Portland Harbour just having a laugh. They seemed quite happy."

"They were laughing and joking. About 45 minutes later things took a turn for the worse."

The boat seemed to capsize and they were thrown into the water.

"The weather conditions were not brilliant – not good for searching and not good for the boy in the water."

Alan Birch, spokesman for Weymouth RNLI, added it was a "rough night" when the boys,



MISSING: Kyle Moore, 14

both from Portland, were thrown out of their vessel.

He said: "I would like to hope he swam ashore or got to shore somehow and disappeared from the scene but that seems highly unlikely and there may well be a sad outcome."

Police officers were yesterday questioning the rescued boy who had been released from hospital.

● FIREFIGHTERS across southern Britain responded to dozens of 999 calls as streams and rivers broke their banks, flooding houses.

In Devon three motorists had narrow escapes – rescued as three feet of water swamped their cars.

Torrential thunderstorms caused damage across the region, with Suffolk, Surrey and south London being particularly hard-hit.

And forecasters said the blustery conditions were likely to continue into the new week, this time affecting the north and west of Britain.

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BRIT'S OUT FOR THE LADS

Paris leads the dirty dancing

BRITNEY Spears showed Kevin Federline exactly what he's missing at the weekend.

She put her breast foot forward during another debauched night on the town.

Together with new best friend **Paris Hilton** braless Brit, 25, looked like she was mounting a major campaign to hook a new fella.

Paris, also 25, couldn't wait to teach the newly-separated star how to work her booty during a girlie rumba at the Hyde club in West Hollywood.

The pair enjoyed their show so much that they

threw in a spot of mock stripping and toyed with a saucy pair of fishnet stockings.

It was Paris who wore them to the club at the start of the evening.

Hot

But, as our picture, right, shows, they were BOTH sporting one fishnet ariplee as they staggered out later.

An excited onlooker told us: "It was a seriously hot night. Britney's obviously trying to prove to that husband of hers that he's missed out on a really good thing, and she made her point."

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Party Girl Kim is Aloud to go wild

LOUD and proud – the girls were all there for birthday girl Kimberly Walsh's big 25th bash.

And as our snaps show at least four of the gang were in fine form.

Nicola Roberts, 21, joined Kimberley, **Sarah Harding,** 25, and **Cheryl Cole,** 23, above, for fun and frolics.

Kim had a great time with party animal Sarah, far right, and found time to blow out the candles on her cake.

Kimberley's mum was also the life and soul of the select gathering, and had to be talked down from a table dancing enterprise.

Only **Nadine Coyle,** 21, seemed slightly reserved. She was probably lost in contemplation about her renewed relationship with Desperate Housewives' **Jesse Metcalfe,** 27.

The word is their recent break has created some raw feelings and they're desperately trying to make things work. We like them do. We like a bit of love at Goss Towers.



HUSH HUSH

WHICH female celebrity is hiding a murky past as a high-class call girl? This actress, who also lies quite spectacularly about her age, earned her first big break when a besotted television executive became one of her best clients. The one-time big-wig has since fallen on lean times, though, and is thinking about cashing in on his sordid tale.

Bruce's babe

HOLLYWOOD baldie **Bruce Willis** is apparently now dating **Renée Zellweger.**

The Die Hard legend, 51, and the Bridget Jones babe were seen looking snug at LA restaurant Cut recently.

A source said: "They seemed really into each other. Renée definitely left with Bruce."

Meanwhile, Renée, 37,

reckons her life was easier when she worked as a barmaid.

The actress said: "When I first went to Hollywood, I remember working for two years in a bar. I was happy when all I had to worry about was the labels on the bottles."

Whereas now she has to worry about which celeb to date next.

SPOTTED

IN London: **Courtney Love** watching Robots in Disguise rock out at the Insomniacs Ball near London Bridge; **Matt Lucas** patiently entertaining an enthusiastic fan outside West Hampstead Thameslink; **John Barrowman**, aka Captain Jack Harkness, buying a pair of trousers in Selfridges; funnyman **Rory McGrath** sauntering into the Groucho Club on Dean Street.

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The shocked couple, who had married only three weeks earlier and had just got back from honeymoon in Blackpool, investigated the matter further.

And they found they would indeed get an extra £25 a week, or roughly £1,250 a year, if they split.

The JobCentre manager says the official acted wrongly - but Government staff working with Work and Pensions Secretary John Hutton confirmed that

■ by LISA McCARTHY

technically the official was right. Mum-of-four Janet, 41, of Bedfordshire, said: "We went to sort out a problem with our benefits after we got back from honeymoon."

"The woman at the JobCentre said: 'If only you were split or both single, you'd get more money!'"

Blasted

Janet, whose husband, 44, claims incapacity benefit after a nervous breakdown, added: "The Government says it believes in families yet advises people to part to claim more benefits."

Their local Tory MP and Shadow Work and Pensions Minister Andrew Selous blasted: "John Hutton says he wants to encourage families to stay together but JobCentres are telling people to do the opposite. It's out of order."

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BIG DAY: Janet and Mark



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Tina's in top gear

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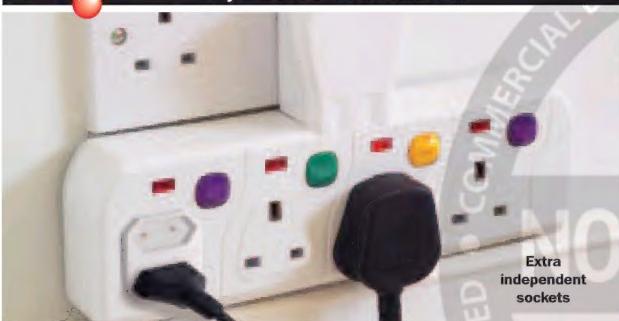
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Jade's a real Goody

■ by TOM HUTCHISON

■ GENEROUS Jade Goody gave a beggar £20 and told him to get a good meal... at BURGER KING.

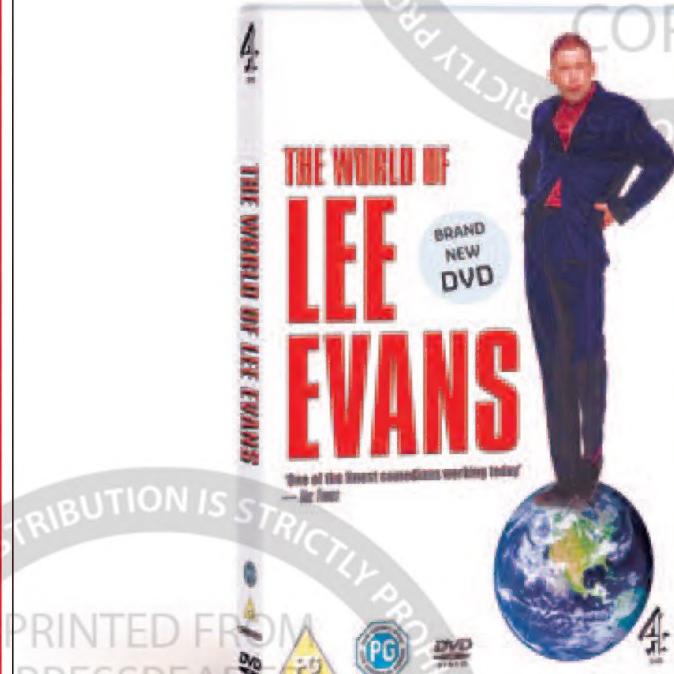
The Big Brother icon, out in London with boyfriend Jack Tweedy, 19, came across the dosser after she'd cheekily used a petrol station's staff loos.

■ As the down-and-out accepted the doosh, slimmed-down Jade, 25 – who used to have a self-confessed "kebab belly" – said: "Go get a good meal in Burger King or KFC."

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Phones hamper victims

PEOPLE chasing compo from collapsed Christmas savings firm Farepak will have to call a premium rate phoneline to get it.

MPs are angry that victims will have to dig deep to call the 0870 line. Thousands of families saving for hampers lost £40million when the firm went under.

Gordon Tempest-Hay, of Farepak administrator BDO Stoy Hayward, said: "150,000 creditors could call us. What are we meant to do? Have one man on a phone?"



VICTIM: Sean with Nicole

STRIP-CLUB COPS PUMP GROOM FULL OF BULLETS

50 shots fired at unarmed stag pals

■ by TOM SAVAGE

A GROOM was blasted to death by police as he left a strip club on his stag night.

Officers fired 50 rounds at unarmed Sean Bell's car, also hitting two of his friends.

The vehicle was riddled with 21 bullets after it hit an undercover officer and then rammed an unmarked van twice.

Gunfire sprayed nearby homes and a train station. The undercov-

er marksmen claimed that they thought one of the men in the car might have had a gun but police found no weapons.

One witness said: "All you could hear was pop-pop-pop-pop."

Sean Bell, 23, was driving the car. His pal Joseph Guzman, 31, was in the front seat and was shot at least 11 times.

Trent Benefield, 23, who was in

the back seat, was hit three times. Both men were taken to Mary Immaculate Hospital in New York.

Fled

Guzman is in a critical condition but Benefield is stable.

A fourth person in the car fled the scene in the early hours of Saturday morning.

Seven NYPD plain clothes offi-

cers were investigating the Kalua Cabaret club in Queens, which has a history of drugs and prostitution problems.

Civil rights leader the Rev Al Sharpton said: "How does one justify 50 shots at unarmed men?

"This stinks. Something about the story being told doesn't seem right."

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Kelly
goes
retro

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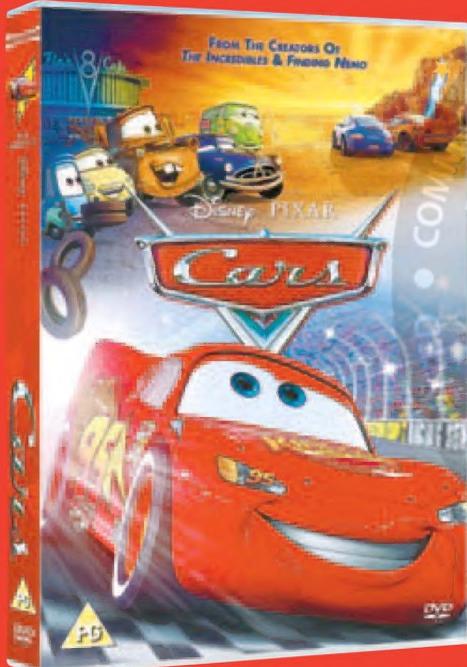
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STAR CHARTS**Express Star Charts**

SIR PAUL McCARTNEY, right, proved a big hit with his fans at a signing session for classical work *Ecce Cor Meum*. Meanwhile I'm A Celeb's Dean Gaffney stole the show in the jungle as former newsgirl Jan Leeming hit rock bottom.



THE OK! Celebrity Chart is based on stars' coverage in Express Newspapers – your Daily Star, Daily Star Sunday and our sister papers, the Daily Express and the Sunday Express – and OK! Britain's best celebrity mag.

TOP 40 ALBUMS

1 (-)	THE LOVE ALBUM	Westlife
2 (-)	STOP THE CLOCKS	Oasis
3 (-)	LOVE	Beatles
4 (-)	U218 SINGLES	U2
5 (1)	TWENTY FIVE	George Michael
6 (2)	HIGH TIMES – SINGLES 1992-2006	Jamiroquai
7 (4)	THE SOUND OF – THE GREATEST HITS	Girls Aloud
8 (3)	OVERLOADED – THE SINGLES COLLECTION	Sugababes
9 (7)	RAZORLIGHT	Razorlight
10 (5)	ANGELIS	Angelis
11 (6)	SERENADE	Katherine Jenkins
12 (12)	EYES OPEN	Snow Patrol
13 (-)	VOICES OF THE VALLEY	Fran Male Voice Choir
14 (13)	TA-DAH	Scissor Sisters
15 (8)	HIT PARADE	Paul Weller
16 (29)	INSIDE IN/INSIDE OUT	Kooks
17 (17)	FUTURESEX/LOVESHOWS	Justin Timberlake
18 (24)	I'M NOT DEAD	Pink
19 (9)	ALL ANGELS	All Angels
20 (14)	RUDEBOX	Robbie Williams
21 (25)	SAM'S TOWN	Killers
22 (-)	KONVICTED	Akon
23 (31)	UNDISCOVERED	James Morrison
24 (15)	TWO'S COMPANY – THE DUETS	Cliff Richard
25 (11)	GRACE	Simon Webbe
26 (18)	THE BEST OF – VOL 1	Depeche Mode
27 (27)	B'DAY	Beyoncé
28 (-)	TWELVE STOPS AND HOME	Feeling
29 (28)	STILL THE SAME – GREAT ROCK CLASSICS OF	Rod Stewart
30 (23)	BAT OUT OF HELL 3 – THE MONSTER IS LOOSE	Aerosmith
31 (34)	THE VERY BEST OF	Meat Loaf
32 (36)	THE TRUTH ABOUT LOVE	Lemar
33 (-)	THESE STREETS	Paolo Nutini
34 (26)	BACK TO BLACK	Amy Winehouse
35 (-)	SKIN & BONES	Foo Fighters
36 (-)	LOOSE	Nelly Furtado
37 (33)	THE ULTIMATE	Luther Vandross
38 (16)	9	Damien Rice
39 (10)	THE PICK OF DESTINY	Tenacious D
40 (22)	MOTION IN THE OCEAN	McFly

- 1) **WESTLIFE**: The Irish chart kings pipped Oasis and the Beatles to the top of the album charts recording their sixth No.1 long-player with *The Love Album*.
 2) **BRITNEY SPEARS**: Newly single Britney teams up with Paris Hilton to show Kevin what he's missing out on.
 3) **JAN LEEMING**: The former newsreader becomes the most hated I'm A Celebrity contestant yet.
 4) **KATE MOSS**: Croydon's finest takes to the stage with Matt Lucas and David Walliams for a very special Little Britain live show.
 5) **PAUL McCARTNEY**: Sir Paul undertakes a rare signing session for his classical album *Ecce Cor Meum*



JOLIE BAD: Ange's guards are nicked and 1,200 fans queue up to show their support.

- 6) **ETON ROAD**: The Liverpool boy band say goodbye to their X Factor dream after they are booted off the reality show.
 7) **DEAN GAFFNEY**: Former EastEnder Gaffney steals the show in the jungle as I'm A Celebrity's most talked-about star.
 8) **RUSSELL BRAND**: The comedian's intimate London gig for My Space cements his position as the country's top stand-up.
 9) **PETE DOHERTY**: Babyshambles frontman Pete is voted one of the most uncouth Brits.
 10) **ANGELINA JOLIE**: Three of the sexy superstar's bodyguards are arrested after a scuffle in India.

TOP 40 SINGLES

1 (4)	PATIENCE	Take That
2 (1)	SMACK THAT	Akon ft Eminem
3 (24)	DOWNTOWN	Emma Bunton
4 (2)	MY LOVE	Justin Timberlake ft Ti
5 (3)	THE ROSE	Westlife
6 (5)	IRREPLACEABLE	Beyoncé
7 (6)	PUT YOUR HANDS UP FOR DETROIT	Beyoncé
8 (7)	ROCK STEADY	Fedde Le Grand
9 (12)	SOMETHING KINDA OOOOH	All Saints
10 (14)	AMERICA	Razorlight
11 (11)	HURT	Christina Aguilera
12 (10)	YEAH YEAH	Bodyrox ft Luciana
13 (-)	ALL GOOD THINGS (COME TO AN END)	Nelly Furtado
14 (13)	WELCOME TO THE BLACK PARADE	My Chemical Romance
15 (8)	LOVELIGHT	Robbie Williams
16 (-)	SNOW (HEY OH)	Red Hot Chili Peppers
17 (15)	REHAB	Amy Winehouse
18 (-)	LOVE IT WHEN YOU CALL	Feeling
19 (-)	BOOGIE 2NITE	Bootsy Luu
20 (19)	I DON'T FEEL LIKE DANCIN'	Scissor Sisters
21 (-)	SOMEONE SHOULD TELL YOU	Lemar
22 (9)	THE SAINTS ARE COMING	U2 & Green Day
23 (17)	ROCK THIS PARTY (EVERYBODY DANCE NOW)	Bob Sinclar & Cutee B
24 (18)	SET THE FIRE TO THE THIRD BAR	Snow Patrol/Martha Wainwright
25 (23)	COMING AROUND AGAIN	Simon Webbe
26 (-)	BOMBS	Faithless ft Harry Collier
27 (-)	NOBODY KNOWS	Pink
28 (30)	HIPS DON'T LIE	Shakira ft Wyclef Jean
29 (22)	LONG WAY 2 GO	Cassie
30 (16)	EASY	Sugababes
31 (28)	SEXYBACK	Justin Timberlake
32 (20)	JUMP	Madonna
33 (33)	WONDERFUL WORLD	James Morrison
34 (32)	BREAKING FREE	Cast Of High School Musical
35 (-)	GROWN AND SEXY	Chamillionaire
36 (21)	THIS IS NOT REAL LOVE	George Michael & Mutya
37 (25)	SELF CONTROL	Infernal
38 (35)	EVERYTIME WE TOUCH	Cascada
39 (31)	COME TO ME	P Diddy ft Nicole Scherzinger
40 (-)	NEVER BE LONELY	Feeling



Al's no Rascal

ARCTIC MONKEYS were left fuming after a promoter claimed **Alex Turner** was to be a guest at a show by hip-hoppers The Rascals.

While Turner, 20, is a big fan of the rappers – from his home city Sheffield – he had never agreed to attend their gig at Liverpool's Korova bar next month. Now the MC crew have also ditched the show.



JOE MOTT'S
DOUBLE AWARD WINNING

HOT

Edited by CARL STROUD

MOTT

TAKE That are back at the top of the charts with comeback single Patience – their ninth No.1. Album Beautiful World is out today and Hot girl Kim Dawson is flying on their private jet. Expect gossip tomorrow.

SHOT

Saints ONLY JUST alive!



SECOND: Noel Gallagher

Westlife Loved up

THE chart battle to end all chart battles came down to the wire.

The tussle between **Oasis** and **Westlife** was close, with the Gallagher brothers' Stop The Clocks collection benefiting from a last-minute surge in sales.

Alas, it was too little too late, and Westlife's Love Album triumphed – landing the quartet their sixth No.1 album.

It was nail-bitingly close, though, with Liam and Noel missing out by only 5,000 copies.

The Love Album posted 219,000 sales, Stop The Clocks 213,000 and **The Beatles'** Love collection 173,500.

MOTT

KEEP your ears open for Air Traffic. I've received a sampler of their forthcoming album and reckon the youthful Britrock quartet will do big things next year with their huge choruses and crunchy riffs.

SHOT

Kaisers sit tight

INDIE favourites **Kaiser Chiefs** have been left twiddling their thumbs after bosses decided to delay their second album.

The Leeds lads' follow-up to the multi-platinum Employment is in the can already, but record label bigwigs are so confident they've got a mega-selling product on their hands that they will launch the album simultaneously worldwide.

However, a move like that requires a massive amount of planning so the band's first single from the collection now won't hit the shops until well into the new year, with the album following in its wake.



Picture: ANGELA LUBRANO

It's Shears magic

SCISSOR SISTERS sprinkled a dose of high-camp disco magic on Wembley.

The glam troupe brought their bolterous live show to the Arena and dazzled fans with their energetic set.

And the event appeared to

get a little too much for heavily-perspiring frontman **Jake Shears**.

The pint-sized leader, 28, got down on bended knee while the grand dame of the Sisters, **Ana Matronic**, 32, placed a protective hand on his head.

ALL Saints could be forced to disappear back into obscurity after their comeback album bombed.

While fellow reformed chart stars **Take That** soar to ever greater heights, the Saints have been given one last chance by record bosses.

Their comeback album Studio 1 – well-received by critics – stalled at a truly dismal 41 in the charts, forcing their label Parlophone to admit the girls "don't have a fanbase".

Red-faced staff have hurriedly redrawn their comeback strategy in the face of almost blanket public disinterest.

The ladies will have one final crack at success with a new single release in February.

And if that's as poorly welcomed as the long player they are likely to be quietly placed back on the shelf.

My high level record company insider explained the mother of all cock-ups to me.

He said: "With the huge

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residual public affection for Take That, staff here assumed they could count on the same for the girls.

"But what became swiftly and all too sadly clear is that there is a total absence of historical affection for them.

Biggest

"They've managed to retain a tiny fraction of their fanbase from their heyday and it's proved absolutely disastrous in terms of album sales."

Take That release new album Beautiful World today and Polydor is bullish about its prospects. It

predicts **Gary Barlow**, 35, **Jason Orange**, 36, **Howard Donald**, 38, and **Mark Owen**, 34, will be well served by the same females who made them the top boyband of the early 90s.

All Saints insiders have confessed they now have to start from scratch with 33-year-old **Natalie Appleton** and sister **Nicole, Shaznay Lewis** and **Mel Blatt**, all 31.

My spy adds: "The intention now is to introduce All Saints to the public in the same way you would a completely new act."

If this strategy fails it really could be curtains for the group."

CAUGHT LIVE

George Michael Earls Court, London



THE man in black with shades and that famous stubble steps through the door of a 50ft screen to tell London: "Hey, I'm back doing what I do best."

George Michael, pop icon and one of Britain's most gifted songwriters, had kept his adoring fans waiting to see him perform live for 15 years.

His Earls Court concert satisfied the Wham! faithful who screamed the house down as he flawlessly sang Freedom, Everything She Wants and the unforgettable I'm Your Man. Faith and

Jesus To A Child proved his voice is as clear and strong as ever despite his fondness for herbal cigarettes.

But a giant inflatable of US president George W Bush being pleased by a British bulldog as Michael sang Shoot The Dog spoiled an otherwise classy performance.

Michael admitted he was nervous about performing to a London audience, but after three standing ovations he admitted: "I've nothing to worry about."

TRISHA HARBORD

The Bees, Concorde 2, Brighton

CAUGHT LIVE

Dirty Pretty Things, Liverpool University

DIDRY Pretty Things were on top form with a blistering celebration of Carl Barat's career so far.

They delighted the audience with bonding rituals such as You F***ing Love It from their debut album.

They also dipped into The Libertines' back catalogue for The Good Old Days. And the crowd sang along to tunes such as Dead Wood and Bang Bang You're Dead. With the band in such form, the question on everybody's lips was: "Pete who?"

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Sophie sizzles

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SEXY Sophie Anderton shows exactly why she's landed a megabucks deal as the face – and body – of High Street lingerie firm La Senza. And her curves should prove a massive seller among both men AND women. Her boyfriend, Crystal Palace football chairman Simon Jordan, 39, has banned his players from plastering the dressing room with photos of her. Racy brunette Sophie, 29, reckons saucy undies like these are certain to make the festive season soulder. She said: "Wearing gorgeous underwear gives you the ultimate feel-good factor. I'm delighted to be modelling La Senza's special Christmas collection."

"All the garments are beautiful, sexy and flattering – perfect for spicing up any Christmas Day."

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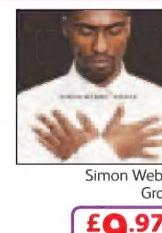
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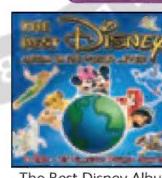
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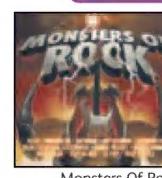
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FURIOUS: Charlie

Norris in spy shock

NOSY Norris Cole gets on the wrong side of evil builder Charlie Stubbs. He thinks the newsagent is spying on his girlfriend Tracy Barlow (Kate Ford, 29) with a pair of night vision goggles. But poor Norris (Malcolm Hebden, 66) is trying to catch a graffiti artist who is vandalising the Kabin

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walls. Furious Charlie (Bill Ward, 39) storms round to the pensioner's house and threatens to punch his lights out.

An insider said: "It's so funny to see Charlie screaming at Norris."

"Tracy, as usual, is there in the background egging Charlie on – and Norris doesn't know what's hit him."

"It's all a misunderstanding of course, but it's great fun to watch."

Tony to rescue

HOLLYOAKS

CHEF Tony Hutchinson (Nick Pickard, 29) takes Becca Dean (Ali Bastian, 23) on a date next week – and saves her bacon.

He offers to look after the mum-to-be's baby if she's jailed for having sex with schoolboy Justin Burton.



SCHEMING: Jo is planning to destroy Katie

Sonia is elbowed

EASTENDERS

- Martin dumps Sonia after finding out his mum has a brain tumour.
- Mo is stunned when she discovers Bert has a wife.
- Jane and Grant's affair is exposed on her wedding day.

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- Claire continues to spy on Tracy, convinced Charlie is abusing her.
- Cilla is devastated when the doctor tells her she has skin cancer.

SOAP WATCH

- Danny and Jamie's showdown leads to one of their deaths.
- Paddy is blamed when Andy's sheep die.
- David tells Eric that he is his son.
- Katie thanks Jo for bringing clients to the stables.

HOLLYOAKS

- Max has a heart bypass operation.
- Will continues to stalk Zoe.

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Mother of all battles

EMMERDALE

BITCHY Jo Stiles is to get a devious sidekick as she wages war in the Dales – her mum.

Jackie Stiles blows into Emmerdale in January.

And sexy Roxanne Pallett,

Twisted

"Everything spirals out of control. It's so twisted it's brilliant!"

Roxanne has been sworn to secrecy about what Jo gets up to with Jackie (Ishia Bennison). But it will spell trouble for her arch rival Katie Sugden (Sammy Winward, 21).

Katie is battling to hang on to her husband Andy (Kelvin Fletcher, 22). And Roxanne warned that Jo

is set to play even dirtier to make sure she steals him away.

She said: "The affair with Andy has died down and she's unhappy. So now she's changed her tactics.

"She becomes a real two-faced cow and pretends to be Katie's best friend while really she is plotting to get her out of the way.

"She's going to be a complete bunny boiler!"



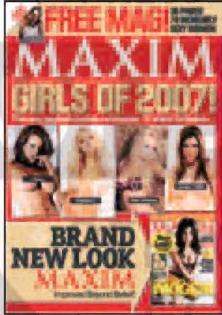
DEVIOUS: Mum Jackie



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EXCLUSIVE: BB babe's hungry for ro



Imogen's hot love secrets

RIVALS: Imogen pipped Charlotte Church, right, and Catherine Zeta-Jones, far right, to be voted the sexiest woman in Wales



BIG Brother beauty, Thomas proves she does have a body to

The smouldering Welsh army of male fans by shot perfect curves in this year

And now she's here to tell to behave in the bedroom.

"I like guys who are so cool give you chat-up lines" she men who play hard to get. I though. I don't want the nigg I've gone home without a pic!

The only trouble is fellas keeping their distance now household name.

Romance

Amazingly, the 23-year-old single, despite recently being sexiest woman in Wales after star Catherine Zeta-Jones, 32, and Charlotte Church, 20.

Her romance with fellow housemate Sezer Yurtseven, 22, soon after they left the house.

In fact, the lonely lass would happily swap her awar on the man of her dreams.